

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES  
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ALL-COUNTY LETTER NO: 88-79

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: NEW AMERASIAN ARRIVALS

New legislation (Section 584 of the Foreign Operations Appropriations Act, which was incorporated as part of the Fiscal Year 1988 Continuing Resolution, Public Law 100-202) provides for certain Amerasians in Vietnam, with their close family members, to be admitted through the Orderly Departure Program beginning on March 20, 1988, under immigrant status. However, the same legislation also makes them eligible for Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR)-funded financial assistance, medical assistance, and social services as though they were refugees. For statistical reporting purposes, Counties are to include these persons in the refugee counts that are submitted on the current refugee report forms.

We have been informed by ORR that a small number of persons will begin arriving under this legislation immediately, although significant numbers are not expected for approximately six months. Current estimates run as high as 8,000-10,000 Amerasians and at least 20,000 family members to be admitted during the two-year period authorized by this law.

At the port of entry, the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) will issue to these persons a temporary identification document which will combine features of the documents normally issued to refugees and to immigrants. (See Attachment I.) INS will adapt the current form I-94 for this purpose.

The front of the I-94 will be stamped in the upper right corner, "Processed for I-551. Temporary evidence of lawful admission for permanent residence. Valid until \_\_\_\_\_. Employment authorized." A photograph of the Amerasian or family member will be glued in the upper left corner. A dry seal (embossed) will be placed in the top center, overlapping the stamp and the photograph (this seal may be absent in some cases). The front of the I-94 will be completed to show the person's name, birth date, country of citizenship (Vietnam), sex, airline and flight number, city where boarded, and U.S. address.

The back of the I-94 will show the A-number in block #20. A-numbers in the immigrant series (beginning with 4) will be used.


The unique identifier for these Amerasians will appear in block #26, the "Comments" section. It will consist of a stamp containing the word "Admitted" and the code AM1, AM2, or AM3 next to the word "Class" on the stamp. Above "Class" will be an abbreviation for the port of entry and the handwritten date of arrival. Since the Amerasians are immigrants, they will be issued the I-551 (the identifying document for permanent resident aliens) as soon as these can be manufactured and mailed (See Attachment II). The codes used on the I-551 will be AM6, AM7, and AM8, for persons admitted under the new Amerasian legislation. A summary of the new class-of-admission codes and their meanings is listed below.

<u>Category of Person</u>	<u>Code on I-94</u>	<u>Code on I-551</u>
Amerasian born in Vietnam between 1/1/62 and 1/1/76	AM1	AM6
Spouse or child of AM1/AM6	AM2	AM7
Mother of unmarried AM1/AM6 and spouse or child of such mother; or person who has acted as parent of AM1/AM6 and such person's spouse or child	AM3	AM8

#### FISCAL CLAIMING INSTRUCTIONS

Amerasians will be claimed in the same manner as all other time eligible refugees. Cases aided under the Aid to Families with Dependent Children-Family Group/Unemployed (AFDC-FG/U) must be identified on the payroll with aid code 30 for FG cases and aid code 35 for U cases. In addition to the aid code, these cases must be identified with the suggested alpha codes IR/OR. See Manual of Policies and Procedures Handbook Section 25-750.6. Effective July 1, 1988, Counties will be required to further identify State-only AFDC-FG/U cases with aid code 32 for FG and aid code 33 for U. Cases aided under the Refugee Demonstration Project-Family Group/Unemployed (RDP-FG/U) must be identified on the payroll with aid code 77 for FG cases and aid code 78 for U cases. Cases aided under the Refugee Cash Assistance Program (RCA) must be identified on the payroll with aid code 01. In addition to aid code 01, unaccompanied Amerasian children aided under the RCA must be identified with the suggested alpha code UR.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact your County Refugee Program Operations Analyst at (916) 323-2131.

  
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Attachment

FRONT PORTION OF  
I-94 ARRIVAL CARD  
WITH TEMPORARY I-551  
and PHOTO AFFIXED  
WITH DRY SEAL--  
ADMITTING THE  
SUBJECT AMERASIANS  
AS IMMIGRANTS

Admission Number 524115341 00		PROCESSED FOR I-551, TEMPORARY	
Immigration and Naturalization Service I-94 Arrival Record		EVIDENCE OF LAWFUL ADMISSION FOR PERM. RESIDENCE VALID UNTIL EMPLOYMENT AUTH	
1. Family Name SKERRETT			
2. First (Given) Name EDWARD		3. Birth Date (Day/Mo/Yr) 06/03/8	
4. Country of Citizenship VIETNAM		5. Sex (Male or Female) X	
6. Passport Number		7. Airline and Flight Number X	
8. Country Where You Live X		9. City Where You Boarded X	
10. City Where Visa Was Issued		11. Date Issued (Day/Mo/Yr)	
12. Address While in the United States (Number and Street) X			
13. City and State X			

BACK PORTION OF  
I-94 ARRIVAL CARD  
WITH ADMISSIONS  
STAMP AND CODED  
AM-1, AM-2, or AM-3,  
MEANING CASE IS  
ALSO ELIGIBLE FOR  
REFUGEE BENEFITS.

18. Occupation	19. Waivers
20. INS File A-40161264	21. INS FCO
22. Petition Number	23. Program Number
24. <input type="checkbox"/> Bond	25. <input type="checkbox"/> Prospective Student
26. Itinerary/Comments ADMITTED SEX CLASS AM-1 UNTIL	
27. TWOV Ticket Number	

Front of I-551

**RESIDENT ALIEN**

NAME: GARCIA-LOPEZ, ROSA MARIA

DATE OF BIRTH: 052356

ALIEN NUMBER: 33500000

CLASS-OF-ADMISSION CODE: 052356

US AMB SAMPLE

Back of I-551

ALIEN REGISTRATION RECEIPT CARD

PERSON REGISTERED BY THIS CARD IS ENTITLED TO RESIDE PERMANENTLY AND WORK IN THE U.S.

33500000 11 23 663 563 86537

5533 47405 16323 34456 69480

040380 582 050 07620 9462742

DATE ADMITTED TO U.S.

SAMPLE CARD